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SUBJECT: NINETEEN HAITIANS RETURNED FROM GUANTANAMO ON
DECEMBER 14, 1973

REF: P-AU-P 2132

1. FIFTEEN OF THE NINETEEN HAITIAN NATIONAL WHO RETURNED
TO PORT-AU-PRINCE FROM GUANTANAMO NAVAL BASE ON DEC. 14,
1973 APPEARED AT THE CONSULATE ON DECEMBER 26. MISSING
FROM THE GROUP WERE THREE OF THE HAITIANS WHO WERE UNABLE
TO COME IN AND THE CAPTAIN OF THE BOAT, JACKSON FERDINAND,
WHO, ACCORDING TO THE GROUP, IS STILL BEING HELD AT THE
DESSALINES BARRACKS FOR VIOLATION OF HAITIAN IMMIGRATION
LAW.

2. THE GROUP CLAIMED THAT THEY WERE QUESTIONED AT
DESSALINES BARRACKS THE DAY OF THEIR ARRIVAL AND WERE
RELEASED THAT SAME AFTERNOON AT ABOUT 5:00 P.M. ALL
APPEARED TO BE IN GOOD HEALTH AND GOOD SPIRITS.

3. IN RESPONSE TO THE GROUP'S REQUEST TO AID IN THE
RELEASE OF THE CAPTAIN, WE SUGGESTED TO THE GROUP THAT
THEY CONTACT THE HAITIAN RED CROSS TO SEE WHAT MEASURES
CAN BE TAKEN TO SECURE THE RELEASE OF MR. FERDINAND.
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